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GUILTY VERDICT IN DOMINO'S PIZZA STABBING TRIAL SUSPECT CONVICTED OF MULTIPLE CHARGES

After an 8 day trial in Snohomish County Superior Court, a 12 person jury convicted Christopher Cowan of stabbing a Domino's Pizza delivery driver in January of this year. This was a case of random stranger violence. The victim had caught Cowan in the act of prowling his car.

Cowan was arrested three days after the near fatal stabbing. The victim was stabbed under his armpit and also in his stomach. That last wound cut deeply into the victim's abdomen. He survived because he was able to make it back to the Domino's Pizza store quickly and received medical attention within minutes from responding officers.

Cowan fled on foot after the attack. His path tracked by an Edmonds Police dog, leading the discovery of an eyewitness and two important items he left behind. One of those items was paperwork from the victim's car found to have Cowan's fingerprint on it. The other was a heavy winter coat. Cowan was seen on video in the area a short distance away, minutes after the vicious attack. Cowan had left behind a key piece of evidence, a pawn receipt with his name on it. When detectives tracked down the video of that transaction, they discovered he had been wearing the heavy winter coat that was left behind.

After his arrest, Cowan continually denied being the person that attacked the victim. He provided an alibi to the crime, claiming to have spent the night with friends down the street. When detectives found his friends, they hadn't seen him in over a week.

On October 29th, 2015 the jury returned guilty verdicts on three counts; Attempted Second Degree Murder, First Degree Assault and First Degree Robbery. All of those charges included a special enhancement because he was armed with a deadly weapon.

Cowan will be sentenced on November 20th, 2015 in Snohomish County Superior Court.

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